

Prices and Prospects.

WAGE SETTLEMENT STIFFENS MARKET

Demand for Coke Heavier and This Sustains Price Situation.

FRICK ADVANCE HAS EFFECT

Extent of Fresh Demand Carefully Concealed by Consumers and Their Brokers. But It Is Known to Most Operators. Realize Pinch Is Coming

Special to The Weekly Courier
PITTSBURG April 3.—Instead of the wage settlement in the union bituminous coal fields having a depressing effect upon the coke market, it might have been expected from the anticipations that a disagreement would result in a heavy demand for raw Connellsville coke. The Connellsville coke market has actually stiffened somewhat since the announcement of the bituminous wage settlement was made. At the present time this market is thought to be due to the wage advance announced Monday morning by the H. C. Frick Coke Company, but the market testimony is that while a week ago a quote of prompt furnace coke at \$2.20 to \$2.25 on Saturday last, when the bituminous wage settlement was announced, the coke wage advance was not known there were sales of prompt Connellsville furnace coke at \$2.40. That price is the minimum of the market today representing an advance of 20 cents in a week.

The coke workers trusted the week by observing Mitchell day, April 1st and then dropped it, celebrating the wage advance. This however is only a partial explanation of the present stiffness since production is really quite well maintained. The demand for coke is undoubtedly heavy. The buying of prompt coke in the past few weeks has been attributed chiefly to the laying in of stocks by furnaces and to purchases by brokers who were short on their contracts there being apparently little of an out and out consuming demand. The present condition however is that there is fresh demand from consumers. The extent of this demand is carefully concealed by those consumers and by brokers acting for them, but enough is known to indicate that there is considerable coke to be bought for the month and for the quarter. There is report for example that one merchant furnace is banked for the reason that while it bought coke for the first quarter it neglected to buy for April before the strike because so pronounced, hence it has no coke until the 1st of April. It will not give with the prices at which coke has been sold. It is known that several contracts were made for the quarter three and four months ago and in no case is it known that similar contracts were made for the second quarter. In such a case the market probably realized better than the consumers that the second quarter was going to furnish the pinch. The union bituminous mines will be closed for two or three weeks at any rate pending the referendum vote which follows last Friday's tentative agreement, and this will keep up the coal scarcity.

JED COAL COMPANY IS NOT STEEL CORPORATION PLANT

Mine Where Accident Occurred Last Week Not Connected With U. S. Steel

The Jed Coal & Coke Company, in whose mine the fatal explosion occurred last Tuesday, is not connected with the United States Steel Corporation, as it was incorrectly stated in The Weekly Courier of March 31. The original story of the United Press Association stated that the mine was operated by the United States Steel Corporation. The Courier's story, published a few days later, was corrected by the United States Steel Corporation. W. H. Chingman, of the H. C. Frick Coke Company, denying this, stated in making up the forms for The Weekly Courier Mr. Chingman's statement was overlooked as well as the correction of the original story. The United States Steel Corporation is not connected with the coal and coke industry. A better supply of coke is expected for the Connellsville region as coal stored on truck will now be moved. However there is a serious shortage all over the central west and north due to the extremely hard winter and the coal mines in that section are only one influence tending to relieve it.

JUSTICE DEPARTMENT GETS AFTER STEAMSHIP COMPANIES

Suit Has Been Filed in New York Under Sherman and Trust Laws

WASHINGTON, March 30.—With out consulting, District Attorney Wigg of the Southern district of New York, the Department of Justice today gave out the briefs of a Federal suit against the New York jurisdiction against steamship companies operating to the far east through the Suez canal and stated that the suit had been filed in New York under the Sherman and Trust Laws.

After Vireo had denied knowledge of the suit the Department amended its statement and said that the suit was brought but might not be filed for several days. In explanation the Department explained that the complaint would be filed in New York as soon as possible.

Coke Replies to Cynic

Not Practicable to Change to Light Hours and Would Lower Wages

In replying to Charles W. Cobot, a steel holder of the United States Steel Corporation who advised steel holders to work Judge Gary's protest against the twelve hour day in the name of the company, Judge Gary said: "In most departments it does not seem practicable to change to substitute eight hours for twelve. The men do not wish a change which will reduce their wages one third and business conditions do not permit an increase in wages. We are spending annually for improvements among our workmen very great sums which would otherwise be available for dividends."

Rehearing Granted

WASHINGTON, April 1.—The case of the International Coal Mining Company against the Pennsylvania railroad involving a claim for the recovery of \$37,258.55 for excess freight charges will be heard again before the full bench of the Supreme Court. The railroad appealed.

Review of

PRODUCTION

District
Connellsville
Lower Connellsville

Totals

Furnace Ovens
Connellsville
Lower Connellsville

Totals

Merchant Ovens
Connellsville
Lower Connellsville

Totals

SHIPMENTS

To Pittsburgh
To Points West of Pittsburgh
To Points East of the Region

Totals

	38,761	32,140	6,627	418,141	30,015	31,990	7,023	298,847
	13,101	16,111	2,990	191,545	18,555	15,051	3,514	185,474
	3,671	5,090	661	61,996	5,671	5,000	671	61,754
	23,772	20,201	3,571	255,241	24,236	20,051	4,187	247,228
	4,717	3,201	1,516	42,354	1,643	3,230	1,411	40,533
	10,278	7,738	1,510	115,648	10,136	8,709	1,427	111,066
	14,995	11,939	3,026	157,900	14,779	11,939	2,510	151,619
	4,678 Cars	6,702 Cars	1,070 Cars	12,450 Cars	4,107 Cars	5,073 Cars	1,133 Cars	11,617 Cars

WAGE ADVANCE BY FRICK COKE CO. SETS HIGH MARK FOR CONNELLVILLE COKE REGION; EFFECTIVE APRIL 1

Other Operators Immediately Follow Example of Big Corporation and Thousands of Workers Profit Thereby—Scale Now Higher Than During Boom Period of 1907—Was Unsolicited and Unexpected.

As the result of an unsolicited and unexpected advance in the wages of miners and coke workers in the H. C. Frick Coke Company of Connellsville, Pa., the scale now is higher than during the boom period of 1907. The advance was unsolicited and unexpected. The Frick Coke Company, which is the largest coke producer in the Connellsville region, has announced that it will advance the wages of its miners and coke workers to the same scale as the U. S. Steel Corporation. This advance will be effective April 1st. The Frick Coke Company has announced that it will advance the wages of its miners and coke workers to the same scale as the U. S. Steel Corporation. This advance will be effective April 1st.

Employees should immediately profit by the letter trade in the boom. As in former years the H. C. Frick Coke Company has been in the lead in advancing wages. The Frick Coke Company has announced that it will advance the wages of its miners and coke workers to the same scale as the U. S. Steel Corporation. This advance will be effective April 1st.

U. S. STEEL GETS PRAISE, GOMPERS TALKS STRIKE

American Academy of Science Plans Discussion of Labor and Capital

PHILADELPHIA, March 30.—The United States Steel Corporation came in for praise and commendation in the city yesterday for the part it played in the American Academy of Science. The Academy of Science is a body of men who are interested in the science of labor and capital. The Academy of Science is a body of men who are interested in the science of labor and capital. The Academy of Science is a body of men who are interested in the science of labor and capital.

MUNSEY TALKS

Pillsbury Committee Holds Hearings on Coal Mine Accidents

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MONON VALLEY MINERS HOLD GALA CELEBRATION

Six Thousand Union Men Partied at Brownsville to Celebrate Miners' Day

BROWNSVILLE, April 1.—A grand gala celebration was held here today to celebrate the Miners' Day. Six thousand union men partied at Brownsville to celebrate Miners' Day. The celebration was a grand success. The celebration was a grand success. The celebration was a grand success.

LONG TIME INVESTMENT

Expert Reports These Kentucky Coal Deposits Will Be Profitable

The father of a well known Wall Street financier recently died and among the securities in his estate his son found the deeds for some coal lands in Kentucky. While the mines had been idle for many years, they had never been examined thoroughly. The young man decided to find out their value and hired a firm of geologists to report on them. After a thorough inspection, the geologists reported that the mines were profitable. The young man decided to invest in the mines. The young man decided to invest in the mines.

SCOTCH IRONMAKERS COMBINE

To Form One Concern With a Capital Stock of 1,000,000 Pounds

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LOSERS LEFT FOR LOOTS

Highly Banked Corpses Found in the Dorothy Mine

LATROBE, April 3.—The body of a man was found in the Dorothy mine. The body was highly banked. The body was highly banked. The body was highly banked.

and Output.

PRODUCTION MAKES SUBSTANTIAL GAIN

Output in the Region Over 14,000 Tons Beyond Previous Week.

SHIPMENTS INCREASE 835 CARS

Wage Advance Expected to Lead Increase in Demand for Supply Increases Gradually—Requirements Fall Off

The Connellsville coke region made a substantial gain in production and output last week. The production of coke in the region was over 14,000 tons beyond the previous week. The output of coke in the region was over 14,000 tons beyond the previous week. The production of coke in the region was over 14,000 tons beyond the previous week.

SWAB WILL BUILD NEW CHINESE NAVY

Says Steel Business Is Good, Expects Price Advance in Few Months

NEW YORK, April 3.—From statements by Charles W. Schwab, president of the Bethlehem Steel Corporation, it is learned that the steel business is good. Schwab expects a price advance in a few months. Schwab expects a price advance in a few months. Schwab expects a price advance in a few months.

MORE INCREASES

Independent Operators of Westmoreland Will Into Line

LATROBE, April 3.—Six thousand men employed in the mines of Westmoreland county, Pa., are expected to join the independent operators of the county. The independent operators of the county are expected to join the independent operators of the county. The independent operators of the county are expected to join the independent operators of the county.

EMPLOYEES RELIEF FUND

Over \$50,000 in Donations on the Pennsylvania System

More than \$50,000 in donations have been received for the Pennsylvania System. The Pennsylvania System is a system of relief for the unemployed. The Pennsylvania System is a system of relief for the unemployed. The Pennsylvania System is a system of relief for the unemployed.

COMMERCIAL COMMISSION UPHOLD

Washington, April 1.—The Commercial Commission has upheld the right of the Interstate Commerce Commission to require a report of the coal and coke industry.

Generally Believed Now the Railroads

That the age limit for employment of brakemen should be lowered to 18 and this was one of the topics discussed upon suggestion of JIA officials.

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The Eureka Fire Brick Works,
MT BRADDOCK, PA Bell Phone 49, Dunbar, Pa
 B & O and P R R Connections

Not to Sell Steel Plants
The Pennsylvania railroad officer authorized denial of report that the company will sell its holdings of Pennsylvania Steel Company and Cambria Steel Company stock.

T. Hingham B. Mo is a director of the Pennsylvania railroad and chairman of the board of directors of the Cambria Steel Company, when asked regarding the rumor declared that he knew nothing of any purchase to syndicate to take over the steel

Commonwealth, Pa.

RAILROAD WEIGHTS TO GOVERN SETTLEMENTS.

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THURSDAY MORNING APR 4, 1912.

The Frick Advance in Wages.

The H. C. Frick Coke Company has given its employees another surprise in the shape of a voluntary advance in wages. It is a habit this company has. It usually comes in the shape of a Christmas gift but this time it is a very agreeable April Fool Day fact.

The advance affects some twenty thousand workmen and will add generally to the prosperity of the Connelville region. It comes at a time when the coke business is on the up-lift both as to production and prices and gives promise of continuing active and profitable during the year. This is given as a reason for the advance, but the price of coke has only a collateral interest to the H. C. Frick Coke Company. Its product is all taken by the United States Steel Corporation to which it is subsidiary. It has not sold a pound of coke for years.

In the absence of any specific reason for the advance, we must assume that it has been made in line with the policy of President Thomas Lytle to meet and even anticipate wage conditions in other regions. Perhaps the settlement of the bituminous coal strike and the granting of a 5% advance to the miners together with other concessions moved the Frick management to mark their wages up 7 1/2%.

The independent or merchant operators of the Connelville region will probably follow the example of the H. C. Frick Coke Company and grant their men a similar wage advance. They have always done so in the past. Such action on their part will necessitate keeping the price of coke firmly at its present figure and should furnish a proper and justifiable reason for further advancing prices.

The Connelville coke operators have from time to time demonstrated the fact that labor unions with their costly dues and individual restrictions are unnecessary where employers are willing to be fair and work on reasonable terms.

The Settlement of the Coal Strike.
The settlement of the threatened bituminous coal strike is rather sudden and somewhat unexpected but it is none the less a gratifying thing. The settlement was a compromise, the miners agreeing to let the operators half way. This is the most reasonable method of determining disputes provided always that the terms are not impossible for either side.

The bituminous coal agreement was reached at the eleventh hour and in the face of some determined opposition. It has been rumored for some days past that the western operators and miners did not want to suspend operations. There was a tentative proposition that the miners should remain in operation pending further negotiations. The Pennsylvania miners representatives offered every compromise movement. District President Feehan evidently wanted another strike.

The industrial and business world welcome the settlement of this threatened strike. In spite of the shadow of a Presidential campaign the steel and iron business has improved and promises still further enlargement due largely to the fact that consumers of steel chiefly the railroads had put off the purchase of new rails until the eleventh hour when necessity compelled them to enter the market and enabled the market to forget politics and make the most of the situation.

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It is not probable however that the Connelville operators generally would have engaged in the coal trade even at prices commensurate with the value of coke sold. They are getting fair prices for coke and would doubtless have been content with their proper business in Connelville operators but are not hunting around for any.

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The Fairmont Coal Rate.
The action of the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad Company in voluntarily reducing the rate on Fairmont coal to the Lakes 10 cents per ton the same reduction which the Interstate Commerce Commission decreed should be made by the railroads on coal from the Pittsburgh district to the Lakes is not surprising in the light of the facts. The Baltimore & Ohio Railroad has an insignificant share of the Pittsburgh coal trade to the Lakes while it practically controls the Fairmont district coal and coke trade. It is a matter of good business on the part of the Baltimore & Ohio therefore to foster and protect its own traffic with Pittsburgh coal being it is reported to the Lakes at 75 cents per ton and Fairmont coal at \$1.00 per ton. The Fairmont district suffers but with the Fairmont rate cut to 90 cents per ton the operators there are enabled, with certain other advantages they enjoy over the Pittsburgh operators to protect their present Lake business from Pittsburgh encroachment.

The Pittsburgh operators are confronted with the unpleasant fact that there is no way venting the railroads from reducing their rates.

Build up postoffices seem to be a business by itself.

No Need of Compromise Candidate.

There has been from time to time suggestions of a compromise candidate for President on the ground that the campaign has become so bitter that compromise candidates can poll the full party strength. It is apparent, however, that President Taft will be re-nominated by a majority so overwhelming as to leave no doubt of the party choice in fact his majority promises to be one that not even a dark horse could hope to have this side of a stampede.

Senator Lammie cannot see the necessity of the utility of a dark horse. If we cannot win with Taft we cannot win with anybody, he says, and he explains further as follows:

"I am in favor of considering the election of a compromise candidate for the Presidency and so far as Pennsylvania is concerned there is no movement looking to that end. Personally I am in favor of the re-nomination of President Taft because I believe to be the logical choice of the Republican party. It is a habit of the party to elect a compromise candidate and I believe it will be nominated by an overwhelming vote of the National Convention and will be elected. I do not think the Roosevelt campaign will bolt the Chicago Convention. They have nothing upon which to base a fight. Roosevelt's candidacy is a mistake. It is an overhauling demand for him as a candidate among the Republicans of the country. President Taft's vote in the convention will be so large as to definitely refute this allegation and to demonstrate beyond all question that Taft is the Republican choice for President. The fact of the Roosevelt campaign would be foolish for the Roosevelt men to bolt. They could hope to gain nothing by it unless to defeat Taft."

Views from various sections of Pennsylvania convince me that our primaries on April 1 will return the same result as the election of New York yesterday and that Taft will sweep the State. I repeat that in my opinion the Republican prospects will be brighter in this matter and there is no reason to say that Taft cannot win at all. Pennsylvania Republicans not afflicted with political prejudices or suffering with growing political ambitions will agree with Senator Lammie in this matter and there is no reason to think that the result of the primary will prove that the agreement is so general as to be almost unanimous.

Colonel Crogo's Maiden Speech.
Colonel Crogo's maiden speech in Congress was a vigorous defense of the wool-growing constituency from the evil influence which befell them under the last Democratic revision of the Tariff. The Wilson bill utterly destroyed the wool business of Greene county.

A notable feature of Colonel Crogo's maiden speech in Congress was the fact that he based on the lines of the report of the Tariff Board on the wool schedule would be acceptable to his constituents. The Democratic House ignores the work of the Tariff Board which the Democracy of the previous Congress helped to establish. This is a land of no compromise.

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Democratic Tariff Revision.
One of the cheapest promises of present day politics is Democratic Tariff revision.

Starting out with the declaration that the Republic in Protective Tariff is merely a tribute to the Robber Trust, and that Democratic revision is undertaken for the relief of the people, the Democratic revision of the Tariff has been a series of compromises. The Pennsylvania miners representatives offered every compromise movement. District President Feehan evidently wanted another strike.

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The Frick Advance is General.

The wage advance in the Connelville coke region will be general and the same advance will be granted in the Westmoreland county and Western Pennsylvania. The wage scale of these regions is not the same as the Connelville region. The Connelville region has for many years paid the best wages in the country for mining and no other region has been able to keep pace with the Connelville region. The Pittsburgh region has been paying the Pittsburgh mining rate and they announce an advance of 7 1/2% on this rate is against 5% increase for the Pittsburgh district miners.

The Westmoreland and County operators recently fought the union to a finish. It was a long and arduous struggle in which both sides spent large sums of money and it is charged that the strike on the part of the labor leaders was not free from the suspicion of extraneous influences of a sinister character. The Westmoreland operators openly attacked operators of certain companies and districts and in encouraging the strike but also of instigating it. In view of these facts it is not surprising that the Westmoreland operators would see the wage advance of their competitors and go it, a better thing not only for the purpose of saving them the pain of the strike but also to do so to denigrate to their employees that membership in the miners union is not essential to liberal treatment in the matter of wages.

However neither the miners nor the public will have any quarrel with the circumstances of the wage conditions are so eminently satisfactory.

The Tariff Board.
President Taft has sent a special message to Congress regarding the continuation of the Tariff Board which the Democrats have refused to let it kill off by refusing to take any preparation for its expenses.

Not only should Congress provide for the expenses of the Tariff Board but to the end that it may finish its investigation of the Tariff schedules and furnish a report upon which to base a law. It is not surprising that the Tariff Board will be continued and that it will be able to finish its work.

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MILLAGE FOR YEAR SET FOR SCOTSDALE

Arthur Trimble's Heroic Act Commended by His Home Council.

HE IS ALSO RECOMMENDED

To Carnegie Hero Fund Commission. Echoes of Damage by the Floods Come Up—Streets Come in For Attention—Sidewalks Must Be Laid.

SCOTSDALE, April 2.—It will startle many a citizen to know that tax time has come around again, but so it has with that certainty that characterizes death and taxes. For in their meeting last night, Town Council set the millage for the ensuing year and the Finance Committee was authorized to have the duplicates made up so that Collector S. B. McMillin might begin work. The millage in the total is the same as last year, ten mills, with a slight variation in the disposition as reported by M. L. Hasness, chairman of the Finance Committee. The millage is divided as follows: General Fund, five mills; Water fund, one mill; Paving fund, one mill and Sinking Fund, three mills. The change is in the moving over of half a mill from the Paving to the Water fund.

Mr. Hasness immediately after the bill had been paid said he had a resolution to offer, and read the following: Whereas, Arthur G. Trimble, a citizen of Scottdale, died on March 21, 1912, at the peril of his own life rescue one Michel Banaszewicz, from drowning in the swollen waters of the stream near the U. S. East Iron Pipe & Foundry Company's plant at Scottdale.

Therefore, Be it resolved that we commend Mr. Arthur G. Trimble for his heroic act and that further we recommend him to the Carnegie Hero Fund Commission as a worthy subject for their consideration. The resolution was quickly seconded and passed with enthusiasm. Mr. Trimble's case is being put before the commission and according to the many eye witnesses who were present the man would have drowned, when he and a companion slipped from a frail raft they had just started out on home during the flood here, and when the companion swam to shore leaving Mike, who could not swim, to sink.

Another matter of the flood came up in the discussion of the earthquake like upheaval that took place on the lower end of South Chestnut street, where several yards of paving was heaved out. Just how this was effected by the great waters that flowed over that street is not satisfactorily explained although it is generally thought that the water coming the heaviest on the lower end of the street, its way down between a couple of bricks and that from below out the ash bed. The ash bed near the curb was all right, and so it was in most other parts of the damaged section.

C. H. Baldwin, the contractor, and John Bitters, his foreman, could not last evening at the invitation of Council, and Mr. Bitters said that he did not incline to the theory that frost was responsible for the upheaval. It was suggested that there should be a catch basin at the upper side of the street and one still further back. Council admitted that the rain was an unusual one and one not equalled in years about here. It was suggested that the Street Committee have Mr. Baldwin fix the street and this he signified his willingness to do. The cost will be about \$75. Council could not see that defective workmanship was responsible for the condition, as everything had been passed upon as satisfactory. The behavior of Market street, paved much earlier, and which was heaved up from Chestnut street to the Union Brethren church but which did not break was also commented on. That strip of paving can be relaid, it was said, with little trouble.

CHARLES N. EVANS BUYS OUT REAL ESTATE PARTNER

J. N. Sisley Retires to Look After His Own Interests—Evans Into Effect Today.

Purchasing the interest of J. N. Sisley, Charles N. Evans will in the future conduct the affairs of the insurance and real estate firm of Evans & Sisley. Mr. Sisley, the retiring member of the firm will look after interests of his own.

Mr. Evans Monday took charge of the business. The firm was formerly Evans & Sisley, later changing to Evans & Sisley.

Sixty New Members. Yesterday was a banner day in the history of the Cochrane Memorial Methodist church at Dawson. At the morning services 60 new members were received. A number of children were baptized. Rev. H. A. Baum is pastor and a number of the new members were secured as the result of evangelistic meetings which were held recently.

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SENTENCES PASSED UPON OFFENDERS AT UNIONTOWN

James Mantell, Storebreaker, is Advised to Leave This Vicinity.

UNIONTOWN, April 2.—Sentence was held this morning with both judges on the bench. James Mantell, who pleaded guilty to entering E. Dunbar's store in Conneltsville, was permitted to go on payment of costs with the understanding that he will leave the county for good. Clayton Jolliffe was sent to the workhouse four months for robbery. Doc Hughes and Nettie Hickman were given four months in jail for selling cocaine.

Andy Marchant was placed on probation four months for assault and battery. The county will pay the costs for the prosecution of Pearly Irwin, who escaped from the county home being taken in jail where he had been sentenced for assault and battery and larceny.

Russell Fields was let off with payment of costs for assault and battery. The jury recommended him to the mercy of the court. Mrs. W. M. Wilson who stole a suit case from a lodger, was sentenced to jail for larceny. The judge was given a year to the workhouse for robbery. Mike Suter was sent to the workhouse four months as a vagrant.

Mike Howdick was given 9 months to the workhouse and fined \$75 for carrying concealed weapons. Morgan Miller was given 30 days in jail for larceny and the costs for surety of the peace. Randolph Williams was fined \$75 and given 9 months in the workhouse for carrying concealed weapons. Mike Mitchell and Andy Benchad were fined \$50 each and placed under probation a year for being mixed up in a shooting scrape.

WESTERN STREAMS TO GET MANY STATE FISH

Fayette and Westmoreland Counties Will Share in Distribution of Trout.

HARRISBURG, Pa., April.—Western Pennsylvania fishermen have asked for more trout fry to be placed in the streams of that section of the State than known for years, and if the plans of Nathan R. Butler, the State Fish Commissioner, can be worked out, there will be large number of young fish "planted" in the creeks and rivers of Allegheny, Fayette, Washington, Westmoreland and other counties in the southwest portion. The application on file call for a large amount of young fish and an equitable distribution has been promised by the commissioner.

This is the first year under the new system of distribution, as the commissioner requires assurances that shipments of young fish will be followed up after being "planted" and reports made to him. However, possible he has encouraged associations and fishing clubs to take charge of the distribution and to stock ponds and localities favorable to the propagation of trout. Furthermore, only trout known as "fingerlings" or larger will be planted, and no fish or brooding fish will be shipped, but none of the minute specimens which cannot take care of themselves will be put out.

In Westmoreland county they are taking a big interest in stocking the streams with trout and I only hope the supply the State will have this year will hold out. We are going to give all we can and hope to satisfy. Just how many we will put out I couldn't estimate now.

BOARD OF HEALTH FAILS TO ELECT SANITARY OFFICER

Three Candidates Line Up For Position—Will Meet on Friday For Another Election.

With three candidates in the running the election of a health officer for the present year resulted in a deadlock at the meeting of the Board of Health Monday afternoon. The three candidates present were Health Officer Allen Hyatt, Councilman W. P. were four members of the board present, Rockwell Marietta being the missing member.

A legal question was raised as to whether W. P. Clark could serve as health officer, he being a member of Council. Squire Clark said this morning that in the event of his being elected to the position and it was decided that it was illegal to serve both as a councilman and health officer, he would resign from the council.

Other officers elected were R. S. McKee, President and A. E. Hood, Secretary.

An invitation tendered by the Conneltsville Garbage and Fertilizer Company to be present at the opening of the plant was accepted.

CLOSED ALLEY CAUSES SCHOOL CHILDREN TROUBLE

Many Are Tardy at Third Ward Building Because of Obstruction in Pinnace.

Burgess J. L. Evans on Tuesday investigated the closing of an alley property but has been opened for more than 30 years. Formerly the property belonged to Rockwell Marietta and he always allowed it to be used as a public thoroughfare. Recently, however, he sold it and the new owner yesterday closed the alley.

The children from that section of town that go to the Third Ward school have always used the alley as a short cut. Yesterday morning they were surprised to find the alley barricaded. A more circuitous route was necessary and many children were late as a consequence.

Settle the Case. Vallant Omotosh of Trotter was given a hearing Monday night before Squire P. M. Butternore of the West Side on a charge of assault and battery made by William Morish of Trotter. Thursday of last week the men had a quarrel and Vallant struck Morish in the face. Both eyes were blackened. The arrest was made by Constable William Roland of Dunbar township and the case was settled by the defendant paying the costs.

BIG BOND ISSUE IS DECLARED A MYTH

Councilmen Will Not Consider \$100,000 Paving Issue, 'Tis Declared.

MODEST PROGRAM FOR STREETS

As Stated in The Courier Yesterday, Finance Committee is Figuring on \$10,000 Available to Meet the Borough's Share of Improvements.

That Town Council has no intention of considering a \$100,000 bond issue at this time for the purpose of street improvements was the statement made today by Chairman H. C. Hays of the Finance Committee. Mr. Hays declared that the Council yesterday outlined the plan decided upon by the Finance Committee; that of expending in the neighborhood of \$10,000 as the borough's share of new paving.

"We figure that approximately \$10,000 will be available for the work this spring and summer," said Chairman Hays today.

"With that amount to take care of the borough's one-third of the expense, it should be possible to do considerable work about town in the matter of paving. The statement that we contemplate a \$100,000 bond issue is erroneous. The committee has no such plan in view."

"The matter of street improvements will be brought up either at tonight's meeting or the following. That it will be discussed by the Councilmen. Of course our action is merely advisory and subject to the decision of the entire body."

Mr. Hays stated that no bond issue is contemplated at this time but that one might be undertaken later in the year for the purpose of clearing off debts that have accumulated since the consolidation of the boroughs of Conneltsville and New Haven.

"By next fall," explained Chairman Hays, "the indebtedness to the water and light companies as well as to other departments, will be sufficient for a fair sized refunding bond issue which, if passed, will entail a considerable saving in interest charges. The issue will also be in such shape that an injunction could not be brought to prevent the issue."

The Finance Committee figures that there will be sufficient money to accomplish a number of needed improvements during the coming year without exceeding the two per cent. limit of indebtedness.

If present indications count for anything, the session of the Council Monday will be long and varied. Many matters of importance are due to come before the body and if action is taken on a majority of these, Council will have accomplished more than at any other session for some time past.

The Building Committee, following its meeting last week, will recommend the purchase of the old Lutheran church for a fire house. The price is \$13,000.

To fill the position of the late I. W. Butler, Council will elect a Borough Treasurer. The Conneltsville Garbage and Fertilizer Company, which began operations yesterday will file its bond for \$5,000 and pay the license fee of \$300. An invitation will be presented to Council to visit the plant at its opening, tomorrow. Health Officer Allen Hyatt said this morning that the license of W. L. Corbin would not expire until the middle of this month. He said he understood that Corbin was collecting his garbage and burning it on the river bank. The Health Officer notified him yesterday not to throw his stuff in the river. The ordinance calls that covered wagons shall be used and that the refuse shall be burned.

George Fausner and several others will present a petition for the paving of an alley that runs between the McCrory five and ten cent store and his property on Apple street. The alley is a small one.

The Finance and Street Committee met last night. There was considerable discussion about the street hose which was ordered at last Council meeting. Bids for the hose will be opened this evening. There are two bids, Council at its last meeting ordered that 500 feet of hose be bought at 50 cents a foot.

Squire W. P. Clark said this morning that he would not present the ordinance for the vacation of Arch street by Boy's Porter & Company's property.

R. K. SMITH IS CHOSEN FOR THREE YEAR TERM

Will Continue His Successful Position as Supervisor of the Schools.

At the regular monthly meeting of the Dunbar Township School Board held Monday evening at the Arlington Hotel Supervising Principal R. K. Smith was re-elected for a term of three years. Mr. Smith has been connected with the Dunbar township schools for the past ten years. He was principal of the Vanderbilt schools for three years. Principal of the High School for two years and for five years has held the position of Supervising Principal.

Sunday evening, May 19, the annual baccalaureate sermon to the graduates will be delivered in the High School auditorium, and on Friday evening, May 17, the annual class play will be held. Thursday evening, May 23, the regular commencement exercises will be held.

Union Station at Indian Creek. Work on the Union station of the Baltimore and Ohio and the Indian Creek Valley Railroad at Indian Creek is nearing completion. It is expected that it will be open for business by May 1. The building will be two stories high.

Pension for Clerks' Heirs. Senator Penrose has introduced a bill providing for the payment of \$20,000 to the heirs of clerks of post-office employees receiving fatal injuries while on duty.

SCHOOL BOARD MEETS; PASSES BUSINESS UP

South Conneltsville is Waiting For Township to Make the First Move.

Because they have received intimations that the Conneltsville township School Board will make advances toward an amicable settlement of the Gibbons school matter, the South Conneltsville School Board did not hold a session last night. The board met but no business was transacted. It is said that the township school board will take the matter up at its regular monthly meeting next Tuesday. The South Conneltsville School Board has not taken the stand that in case the township board does not do anything at its meeting, the borough will go ahead with the tax levy and take charge of the schools. The levy will provide for all the expenses that the board knows of and a sinking fund will take care of any possible debt in the future. If the township acts there will be a special meeting of the borough school board to follow the action.

The trouble arose when South Conneltsville became a borough. The Gibbons schools has always heretofore been under the jurisdiction of the township board but with the incorporation the schools were included in the borough.

SHOOTING VICTIM DIES IN HOSPITAL

Coroner's Jury Recommends Action in Somerset County.

TO APPREHEND THE ASSAILANT

Joe Rebor Wanted to Train at Conneltsville and Upon Arrival Here Stopped to West Penn Waiting Room. Companion Wanted to Take Him.

Coroner H. J. Bell on Tuesday held an inquest into the death of Joe Rebor, who died last night at the South Side hospital from a gunshot wound sustained in a fight at Conneltsville on Saturday night. The inquest was held in the undertaking rooms of C. C. Mitchell, to which place the body had been removed.

The coroner's jury, composed of Charles Wilson, H. H. Butler, Charles H. Bishop, Thomas Jones, A. E. Corbin and H. L. McKee, returned a verdict that Rebor was killed from a gunshot wound at the hands of an unknown assailant. The matter is referred to the authorities of Somerset county for investigation.

County Executive J. Smith held an investigation into the case but it was found the attack took place in Somerset county. Despite his injury, Rebor yesterday to the station at Conneltsville on No. 57 with George Rominski. Rebor was taken to the West Penn waiting room. Rominski wanted to take Rebor on a street car to Youngwood but the conductor, thinking Rebor was drunk, refused to permit them to board.

John Richardson, who acts as guard on the West Penn waiting room, said that he was not at the station when Rebor was taken to the station. Charles Mitchell, who called a physician, Rebor's wound was discovered and he was taken to the South Side hospital. He died Monday night.

Rominski accompanied him to the hospital and then went to his home, as first it was not thought Rebor's injury was serious. He was an Austrian, about 30 years old. No funeral arrangements have been made.

WOOL TARIFF REDUCTION BILL PASSED BY HOUSE

Twenty Republican Progressives Vote For Measure; Two Democratic Days.

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 2.—The Democratic wool bill yesterday passed the House, 183 to 92, with 20 progressive Republicans voting for it. Representative Buckley of Colorado, who opposed it in debate and answered "present" on the roll call, and Representative Francis of Ohio, who voted against it, were the only Democrats who did not line up with the majority. Supporters of the bill declared it would not cut the Government revenue, but would save the tariff \$50,000,000 a year to consumers because of the reduction of rates. All attempts of the Republicans to amend the bill to increase the rates were lost. The tariff board came in for criticism during the speech making.

SUSPENSION IS GENERAL

Miners' President Sees Speedy Resumption of Work.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., April 2.—With only one or two exceptions the suspension in the coal mining industry of the country, which went into effect at midnight Sunday, when the wage contracts between the members of the United Mine Workers of America and the bituminous coal operators expired, was general today and approximately 400,000 miners are out of work.

President John P. White of the miners, before starting for his home in Oskaloosa, Iowa, said that he expected the bituminous men to return to the Cleveland agreement and return to work probably by April 20. He predicted a speedy adjustment of a wage contract in the anthracite field, when the miners and operators meet in Philadelphia on April 10.

Injury Proves Fatal. Robert Arts of Vanderbilt, an employee of the Pittsburgh & Lake Erie Railroad Company, died of a broken neck Tuesday about 9:30 o'clock at the Cottage State hospital. Wednesday, March 27, he fell backwards off a car. Today at noon no arrangements had been made for the funeral.

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TOWN COUNCIL HAS MANY PAVING PLANS

Members Figuring Upon \$10,000 Outlay During the Summer.

ALSO BUY NEW FIRE HOUSE

Finance Committee Already Calculating Upon Amount of Money That Will Be Available—All the Wards to be Taken Care of, if Plan Carries.

Plans of Town Council, being outlined Monday, sound something like an All Fools Day party, but several important items of that body insist that they are serious. According to a statement made today, \$10,000 is to be expended in paving streets during the coming summer. Every ward is to be paved and it is hoped to do something for all streets that have petitions on file.

Chairman H. C. Hays of the Finance Committee says there will be in the neighborhood of \$10,000 set for street improvements after the old Lutheran church has been purchased and a new one erected. The old church is to shelter the new auto fire truck and its men. The property is to be purchased for \$15,000 according to the recommendation of the Lutheran Committee.

A number of streets are to be improved, including Ludlow, Avenue, Cedar avenue, Cottage avenue, Murphy avenue, Arch street and probably a number of others. It was stated that the Second Ward would secure its share of the improvements. The West Side will hardly be included. The additional paving it is hoped will be done by the new auto fire truck and its men. It is said that plans for securing sufficient money to buy a new house and improve streets will be discussed at the Council meeting to-morrow night.

It is generally understood that the plan to purchase the Lutheran church property will meet with serious opposition as an unwise expenditure.

CLARENCE RAY DEAD; TAKEN ILL SUDDENLY

Well Known Young Man of West Side Worked Until Late in the Afternoon.

Clarence Ray, aged 15 years, seven months and 27 days, died Monday about 7 o'clock at his home on Monday morning. He was employed by the Tri-State Candy Company, and worked in unit 5 o'clock Monday when he was taken suddenly ill. He was conveyed to his home in an automobile and physicians were immediately summoned and every possible effort was made to save the young man's life. Orders of the lungs was the cause of death. He was unconscious the greater part of his illness.

Deceased was a son of John Ray and was born at Wheeling. He came to Conneltsville with his parents to reside about six years ago. His mother died nearly a year ago. In addition to his father he is survived by the following brothers and sisters, Jack William and James, Misses Sarah, Jane and Stella Ray, all at home, and Mrs. Mary Balesley of Conneltsville.

ROCKWELL MARIETTA TAKEN SUDDENLY ILL

Was Down Street and Reached His Home With Difficulty—Condition is Improved.

Rockwell Marietta was taken suddenly ill last Monday afternoon and for a time his condition was critical. At the time of taking sick Mr. Marietta was down street and it was with difficulty that he reached his home on East Main street.

Last night he appeared to be worse, but this morning it was given out that his condition was much improved. Mr. Marietta is suffering from gall stones.

DIES IN WEST

Frank Overholt, a "Rough Rider," Native of This Section.

News has been received here of the death of Frank Overholt, son of Harry Overholt and Belle Overholt, formerly of this city, residents of Conneltsville. He was a rough rider under Roosevelt in the Spanish-American War and an old injury received in Cuba resulted in his death at Spokane, Washington, Saturday morning.

He was 46 years old and was partner in a large meat packing company at Spokane. He has lived in the West all his life but made frequent visits to this section of the country. He was a nephew of Mrs. J. T. McCormick of North Pittsburgh street.

MURK BOY

Waschinsky Makes Information Because Korwitz Used Son Roughly.

Claiming that he but his son, Albert, aged 8 years, by throwing him to the ground, August Waschinsky of Morgan Station, Monday made information against Paul Korwitz of the same place. It is said that Korwitz was angry at the boy and lost his temper and threw the boy to the ground. It was thought for a time that the boy was seriously injured.

At the hearing Monday Waschinsky withdrew the charge of assault and battery and Korwitz paid the costs.

Cut Anderson is Dead. A. H. Hopkins, Anderson, 55 years old, a member of Governor John K. Tener's staff, died in his home at Veneta, Washington county, at 10:30 o'clock Saturday night. He had been ill four weeks.

Electric Clothes Dryer. Occupying but little room in a house is a new clothes-dryer, in which garments may be dried by electricity.

LICENSE HEARINGS HELD AT UNIONTOWN MONDAY

Hardest Fight is Made Against William Barton at Southside.

UNIONTOWN, April 1.—License court was held in Uniontown this morning. The court room was packed, largely because of interest manifested in the fight against William Barton, proprietor of the hotel at Southside. Barton is charged with selling liquor to minors and permitting his 10 year old son to sell drinks. The court would not hear attorneys for old applicants against whom no demonstration had been held. This is the usual rule. The work of hearing applications for new license, demonstrations and attorneys' intervention on both sides began. Opposition is being made to granting Bartlett & Byrne license at Piquette's for another year. Other demonstrations were heard, but none had been filed in Conneltsville.

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Geologic Formation of Indian Creek Valley Makes Dam Safe, Says James

Regarding the Indian Creek dam, and its stability, S. M. James, who is particularly familiar with the geologic strata in this section, and its general topography, gives The Courier some interesting information regarding the situation at the big reservoir. Mr. James believes the dam is absolutely safe, and advances his reasons for so thinking. He says:

The great cement work of which the dam was built was firmly embedded in the midst of the 60 to 70 foot strata of the sere conglomerate glass sand rock; the same rock bed on which the bridge over the Young river at Ohioville are built. Nor do we need fear that a flood might cut around either or both ends of the structure and weaken and break the breast of the dam when we know that the same sand rock has an additional thickness of 30 to 35 feet which additional layer on top of the main strata and being composed of a grainless dead ash like aresstone material which resists fire up to 4,000 degrees heat. While the bottom of larger part runs into glass at much less heat, hence the 30 to 35 foot part of the strata will disintegrate and ash like soil. When exposed to the air and elements for a time, two or three feet of its own disintegrated material forms a sufficient protection against further disintegration. And far into this hidden wall rock, the Mountain Water Supply Company excavated and embedded the ends of the great wall, the main breast of which curves up against the breast of the water pressure and the pressure only serves to build up tighter if it were possible to move at all.

Indian creek heads in the broken top of Laurel or Somerset county ridge, directly east from Jones' Mills in Westmoreland county, and its channel is

down close along the western foot of this Laurel ridge, and on the eastern side the Indian creek valley, until the Mill Run basin is reached. Here this same rock, as well as other strata, rise in all directions from this singular anticline, even to the Young river, because of upheaval there across the Indian creek valley, which formed the Young river gap, with its hill walls 400 to 500 feet high. The explosion also opened up a great gap in the eastern side of the Chestnut or western wall of the Indian creek valley, a distance of 3 1/2 miles from the river up into the valley proper near the village of Mill Run, where there would now have been a great lake but for this gap or canyon, which is the outlet of the creek. The creek is changing its course from the foot of one ledge to the foot of the other, made a whirl current in the shape of the letter S, which when the dam and basin now built. The rush of the subsiding flood waters laden with drift, including ice barge, cut the softer material, make up of earth's surface, and bared the big conglomerate part of the rock strata, which underlies the sandy sediments since was a farming land which sediment was removed by the Water company for the embedding of the great dam structure into the rock beneath, as well into the five stone side walls on either side the wash-out safe. Yes, unquestionably so, providing, however, the cement used was not permeable to sluff in damp storage and then crushed and used in the construction. It is hoped the constructing company used every precaution. I am sure the selection of a site for such a reservoir as this one or for a larger capacity is most complete, and will prove itself to be so, and fears of a burst are unnecessary.

Praise for Connellsville Region Man at Jed Mine Disaster

The Bluefield (W. Va.) Daily Telegraph in its account of the explosion at the mine of the Jed Coal & Coke Company near Welch, W. Va., on the morning of March 26, in which 39 lives were lost, has the following to say about Edward O'Toole, formerly Division Superintendent of the H. C. Frick Coke Company and now General Superintendent of the United States Coal & Coke Company, a subsidiary of the United States Steel Corporation, at Gary:

State Mine Inspector Nicholson and Grady were on the scene within an hour, having been at Huger when news of the explosion came. Joined by General Edward O'Toole, General Superintendent of the United States Coal & Coke Company, a Steel Corporation subsidiary, they went into the mine, accompanied by about 50 men from the mines at Gary and Shannon.

The best organized force of workmen that went into the mine came from the United States Coal & Coke Company's mines. These men, after strong, led by General O'Toole, H. N. Evanson, Chief Engineer, C. M. Gates, company mine inspector of Gary, and

Superintendent Kinnuff of Jed, went into the mines to work. Among them were trained rescue crews, first aid men, superintendents, mine foremen and the pick of the huskiest miners. Some of the United States Coal & Coke Company men had oxygen helmets and these worked in the lead, making tests of the air.

Perhaps the story which interested the curious most was told by the rescue crews of General O'Toole. For over six years O'Toole has been General Superintendent at Gary. He has been a stern boss, and many times the men doubted his statements about how much his company was interested in the safety of their men, the welfare of their men and how anxious they were to do everything possible to save their lives.

From 9 o'clock last night Mr. O'Toole was in the mine and the mine inspectors were high in their praise of his generalship in keeping the forces well organized for rendering assistance, as well as for the men in working humor. This men about the hills charged their minds about the General and were a unit in speaking kindly about him.

BIG COAL DEAL PUT THROUGH BY INDIANA COUNTY OWNERS

J. M. Guthrie & Sons Lease Their Plant and Right to Mine 300 Acres.

One of the largest coal deals made in Western Pennsylvania in some time was closed a few days since when J. M. Guthrie & Sons of Indiana county, owners of the Teasdale Run Coal Company, leased their plant to C. L. Watkins of Barnesboro, Cambria county. The lease bears date of March 11 and is to continue until the coal in 300 acres included in the agreement is exhausted. The lease applies only to the Upper Freeport or Bed E.

The Guthries are to receive eight cents royalty for all run-of-mine coal mined and Watkins is bound by the terms of the lease to mine 100,000 gross tons (2,240 pounds) each year at a minimum rental of \$3,000 per year, payable monthly, \$566.66 each month. Watkins pays the Guthries the further sum of \$25,000 for the plant, \$10,000 being paid upon execution of the agreement and the balance payable at the rate of two cents per ton on all run-of-mine coal mined, to be paid at the same time the other rental is paid, until the balance of \$15,000 has been liquidated.

The Bed E, or Upper Freeport vein, averages four feet in thickness, and will yield 8,220 tons to the acre of the 300 acres Mr. Watkins has leased.

MANY ITALIAN MINERS SAILING FOR HOME

Anticipating a Suspension of Work They Go on Visit to Native Land.

NEW YORK, Mar. 18.—Over 1,000 anthracite and bituminous miners have sailed from New York to Italy and other European countries within the last week. They quit the coal fields in anticipation of a suspension of mining, and that, after an agreement is reached, it will be fully a month before all the colliers start up.

Coal operators say hundreds of miners apply daily for leaves of absence or go on the "strike list." Most of them are frugal Italians, who have saved money and are able to take vacations. "The men give all sorts of excuses to get off," said an operator yesterday. "They know that in event of a strike they will be called upon to give financial aid to the union, and the prospect does not please them. Furthermore, they prefer to be idle in Italy, where it costs less to live."

Steel Plant Breaks Record. NEW CASTLE, Pa., Mar. 23.—All local and world's records in steel production were broken at the Shenango Valley steel plant here, operated by the Carnegie Steel Company, during the week ending March 23. The plant produced 16,271 tons of ingots and 14,943 tons of sheet and tin bars, as against 15,552 tons of ingots and 13,475 tons of sheet and tin bars made in January, 1912.

JULIAN KENNEDY GIVES STANLEY PROBE DATA

Outlines Effect of the Tariff Upon the Steel Trade of This Country.

WASHINGTON, Mar. 23.—The protective tariff was credited with having regulated and rendered staple the steel market of the United States by Julian Kennedy of Pittsburg before the special committee of the House of Representatives investigating the United States Steel Corporation. Mr. Kennedy probably has constructed more steel plants than any other person and is regarded as an authority upon all matters in connection with the production of steel.

Too high a tariff is regarded by Mr. Kennedy as a detriment to the steel business. He said the great fluctuations in prices which have occurred in the steel business, largely in the years gone by, were caused by the tariff being too high. The high protection resulted in the agreements to raise prices to a point which made business so profitable that others would start into the business and prices would fall. A more moderate tariff, he said, has resulted in a tendency not to over-build works, and a still lower tariff would further regulate prices by admitting foreign steel when prices get too high and would therefore steady the market.

Mr. Kennedy told of when the tariff on tubes was \$10 a ton, which he said was a Chinese wall so far as importations are concerned. Many new tube mills were constructed and business became demoralized. Then followed the organization of the National Tube Company by J. P. Morgan and others. Mr. Kennedy was employed, he said, to inspect and give his opinion on the valuation of the tube companies which were united in the National Tube Company.

WASHINGTON, March 23.—Julian Kennedy of Pittsburg, construction engineer and steel expert, sees little use for the Court of Commerce, according to his testimony given yesterday before the special committee of the House to investigate the United States Steel Corporation. He told the committee that he thought it would be very much better and would tend to make the interpretations of the law more stable if the rates fixed by the Interstate Commerce Commission were allowed to remain in force until reversed by the United States Supreme Court, instead of being reversed by the Court of Commerce, as at present. He said the Court of Commerce seemed to be reversing decisions of the Interstate Commerce Commission with great rapidity, leaving shippers and railroads to a considerable extent without knowledge as to dependable rates.

PHILLIPS FIRST AID TEAM TAKES HONORS

Team From Lower End of County Makes a Perfect Score—Will Go to Washington.

In a spirited first aid meet yesterday afternoon at the West Side Auditorium, 14 teams of winners from their respective districts in Fayette county, competed to represent the Frick miners in a meet to be given at Washington, D. C., on May 11. The invitation was extended to the Frick teams to be represented by Major Charles Lynch, U. S. A. The meet was won by the Phillips team which completed the difficult work with a perfect score. The team was instructed by Dr. A. S. Hazen, of Uniontown, and is composed of Captain Harry A. Sigouros, Andrew Serousky, William Shady, John Birsky and Walter Kuhns. The meet was well attended.

HARMON RAILWAY COUNSEL

Verdict of \$300,000 Returned Against His Client, the C. & O.

CINCINNATI, March 23.—Mrs. D. McKell was given a \$300,000 verdict before Judge Hollister, in United States district court yesterday in her suit against the Chesapeake and Ohio Railway. The suit was brought by the estate of Thomas G. McKell of Chillicothe, against the Chesapeake and Ohio railroad. One of the two attorneys for the defense was Judson Harmon, Democratic presidential candidate. The suit was based on an allegation of breach of contract, involving coal land in West Virginia. The suit was first filed in 1902. When Governor Harmon, who has spent 21 days in Cincinnati in the trial of the case, was asked why he, a presidential candidate, saw fit to engage so active a corporation litigation, he said that it was because of a promise he had made to the railroad several years ago to act for it until the case was finished.

DEEDS LAND TO SONS.

Coal Properties, Conveyed by Paper Filed in Washington County.

WASHINGTON, Pa., March 23.—In connection with the recent notation by Henry Phillips, the millionaire of New York and Pittsburg, a deed was filed yesterday in the county courts here by which Mr. Phillips for a nominal consideration of \$1, conveys about 414 acres of land in the eastern end of Washington county to his sons, John S. Henry C., and Howard Phillips.

The properties lie along the Monongahela river and are underlaid with the Pittsburg vein of coal. A part of this coal is reserved.

Fill Big Order Quickly. LORAIN, O., March 23.—What is said to be the largest single order for steel pipe ever filled in America has just been shipped from the local plants of the National Tube Company to Moose Jaw, Saskatchewan. The order called for 35,000 feet of 16-inch tubing and was completed in the plant in ten days and ten nights.

Should Not Fix Rates. Speaking before the Pittsburg Traffic Club's banquet last week Chairman Charles A. Prouty of the Interstate Commerce Commission declared the Commerce Court should not fix rates, a function which should rest solely with the Commerce Commission.

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STEEL CORPORATION TO SPEND BIG SUM

Negotiates Bond Issue to Assure Extension of Properties.

PITTSBURGH DISTRICT TO PROFIT

Greater Part of the \$30,000,000 Fund Will Be Expended in Western Pennsylvania, According to Interested Officials—No Definite Plan Told.

It has been announced that the United States Steel Corporation, in order to assure extensions of properties during the year, had sold an issue of 5 per cent bonds of \$30,000,000 to J. P. Morgan & Company. Much of the money thus obtained will, it is expected, be spent in the Pittsburg district. The bond issue was decided upon by the officials of the corporation, because of the general extensions of property deemed necessary and the additional fact of it being desirable to have a certain amount of working capital on hand to handle the increasing business of the several subsidiary companies. This is the first time in some years that the corporation has issued bonds, the surplus earnings heretofore having been devoted to the extensions found necessary.

President A. C. Dinkey of the Carnegie Steel Company stated that there was nothing especially significant in the bond issue, although it naturally carried the assumption that there would be considerable money spent in this district by the Steel Corporation.

"We have no special word at this end as to just what is planned. In fact, it is too early to expect any such word. The bond issue is merely the preparing in a forthright way for the improvements which, for some time have been recognized as necessary, and which will come when all the conditions have been found to demand them. Just what specific improvements will be made in this district or where they will be made, it is, of course, impossible to state at this time, but it is not unlikely that the Pittsburg district will get a good share of the money that is to be spent for extending the properties of the corporation."

The announcement of the bond issue was made Wednesday in New York by Judge E. H. Gary, chairman of the board of directors of the Steel Corporation, following a meeting of the board at which this and several other matters pertaining to developments were discussed. The formal statement of Judge Gary is as follows:

"As there must be expended during the year about \$20,000,000 for extensions of properties generally, as heretofore authorized, and as about \$7,000,000 additional working capital is needed in consequence of increased business of the companies, particularly in the ore department, it has been thought advisable to secure the sum named by the sale of bonds in order to keep the amount of cash on hand up to the sum shown at the beginning of the calendar year."

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President and General Manager of Road Pass Through.

Baltimore & Ohio President Daniel Willard and General Manager A. W. Thompson passed through Connellsville Wednesday afternoon on their way to Baltimore. The trip was made in President Willard's private car. The two officials are on their way home from a tour of inspection in the west. They did not get off here.

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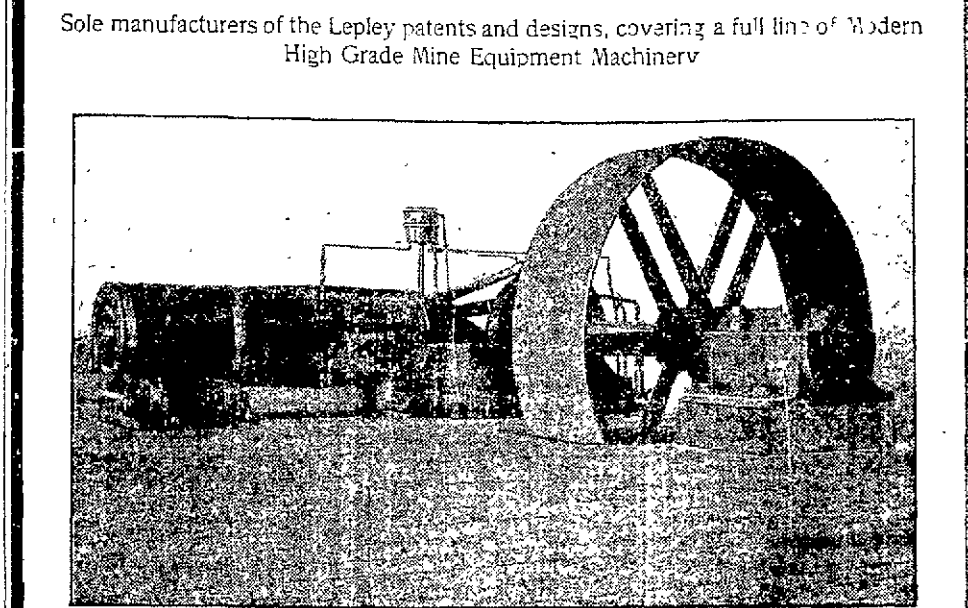
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